



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As the sailing season winds down for another season we can all look back at what has been achieved over the last few months on and off the water at MYC.

The downstairs racking has been reorganised to allow for better use of the new rigging deck and increase the number of boats we can store, the bathroom renovations are complete and a new shower installed, the junior fleet is once again off and running, and we have the new sailing school in place and offering some great courses to both children and adults. Then there is the on water stuff, the woman's challenge was again a huge success..... despite the weather, the try sailing day saw record numbers through the club, the increasing number of boats sailing in the twilights, the Audi Regatta (well done Bokarra), Sailability continues to make sailing accessible to everyone, to the training courses, the website, the newsletter, and more.

All this of course could not be possible without the members and their families contributing time and effort. There are far too many people responsible for all the above work to mention here so to all those who have given so generously of their time, thank you on behalf of all the clubs users, next time you are at MYC please take a moment and look around at what you have helped to achieve.

As mentioned the bathrooms are finally complete. Thanks to Sorrell, Donna, Matt, Greg Wilkins, Peter Robinson, and especially Brian for seeing this project through. The new shower downstairs is also operational; this is located in the eastern half of what was the oar room. A cold water outdoor shower for rinsing salty sailors has also been installed on the western wall of the deck under the office.

Also at the end of each season it is time to start thinking about Board and Sailing Committee positions for the following year. If you are interested in helping on one of these committees please let Maz of myself know, no experience is necessary as there are jobs for everyone. It is also a great way to get your family and friends involved with the club, many non sailors have helped in the past on start boats, with race organisation, or just sitting in the office taking calls and enjoying the view. It is a great way to meet your fellow members and learn a bit more about the sport we all love.

The club is looking at having the wheely bins cleaned on a regular basis. This is a little problematic for the professionals as rubbish and recycling are collected on different days so two trips would have to be made. We are after someone on a volunteer or paid basis to regularly clean the bins. If you can help, or know someone who can please give me a call.

Don't despair, the sailing will continue, at the end of each summer season is the winter series and the Queensland regattas.

Ian D.



The President's cunning 'playing chicken' disguise.

Invitation to the Commodore's Picnic

Sponsored by Davis Marina

When: 11:00 am Sunday, 1st May 2011

Where: Reef Beach (or MYC if the weather is not good)

What: Fun Race and BBQ (BYO drinks)

Who: Everyone (no boat? Walk around!)

No excuses... Mother's Day is next weekend!

The day kicks off with our traditional La Mans start at Manly Harbour Beach (near Oceanworld); racing around YA marks; then heading off to Reef Beach for the 12:30 BBQ. The usual activities ... tug-of-war; beach cricket; prizes for the best fancy dress etc ... if you've been there before you know what I mean ... if you haven't ... come and find out ...

Notice of Race will be sent out separately. Sailing Instructions will be issued at the start line.

The Robbie R will be transporting people from boats to shore if required.

Everyone is needed to assist with the activities on the day.

If you don't volunteer, you will be given a job.

Contact Maz on 9938 1296 to advise attendance otherwise you might go hungry.

Thanks again to Davis Marina for their ongoing commitment as our Official Sponsors.



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COMMODORE'S REPORT



Last month I mentioned many members who assisted and participated in the Audi Sydney Harbour Regatta. When one does that, one is apt to miss someone – guilty! A valued member of our club – having just had her appendix removed – fielded, collated and processed the results for the 25 divisions over the two days of racing. Thank you, Anne. And apologies to anyone else I've missed. We don't get to do things we like to do without someone else volunteering.

This year's Women's Challenge really was a challenge. With new sponsor Helly Hansen on board represented by Siska – yes she knows that there is a famous yacht also bearing that name – San Toy, reluctantly took to the course. The easterly built all day and the swell from the heads wasn't fun, so after a fast run down to Edwards Beach and a slow, sloppy, slog to Old Man's Hat, your Commodore decided that discretion was the better part of valour and pulled the pin. The first to retire but not the last, this was probably the race with the highest attrition rate. A bit of gear damage was reported by some boats and some sail makers were visited the next day. To those brave crew who finished the course – well done. For those of us who didn't – there is no disgrace. For those of you stayed at home – what can I say... in the end it is the skipper's choice whether to sail or not - so that's ok too. Back on the deck, despite the retirements, we had a great crowd; a great sponsor and a great afternoon. Thank you to Karen and to everyone who made the day a success, particularly the race committee who stayed out on the water through rain squalls and lots of slop. Thank you Stephen, Steve, Manny and Bill; thanks also to Patrick and Anne manning the office and monitoring the radio under sometimes trying conditions; and Jim and Alex for performing photo boat duties with official photographer, Crosbie Lorimer on board.

As we all know, the twilights are over for another season – thank you to Anne,

Stephen, Val, Michael, Alison, Robyn (and anyone I've missed) for putting on another fantastic Twilight Series; and thank you to Zilzie Wines for the great prizes. The Summer Ball, held on the Friday after the last Twilight, celebrates the conclusion of the twilight racing but is not just for those who competed. This is a good opportunity for members, family and friends to meet and get to know one another in other than "grotty" sailing gear. This year's theme of games proved very inventive for some. How do you dress up for tiddlywinks?? There were lots of glamorous Miss Scarlets; Super Mario and Marine Ninja were also present and someone playing "chicken"! I'm sure that there are some photos that I'm going to regret. Thank you Murray, Helen, Sarah, Mark (and anyone I've missed) for making the night a success.

Enough of what was ... and onto what's yet to come ...

As Easter is very late in the season this year, the last offshore race to Pittwater is also late. This year, there is an additional day due to Anzac Day falling within the Easter period. Off shore boats usually hang around Pittwater and down the Hawksbury after the racing so if you aren't racing but you find yourself on Broken Bay, look out for us and come join the raft ups. Someone will usually be listening on VHF72.

The winter racing, sponsored by The Space Bar, starts in June giving you plenty of time to get that maintenance done; and maybe a bit of training for the odd cruise while you wait for the summer season to start again. There is a race scheduled for every second weekend. If you only sail the twilights, but would like some similar Sunday racing – why not give it a go. Some of the nicest racing is in winter.

The Davis Marina sponsored Commodore's Picnic has come rushing up to meet me again. Probably another La Mans start with a finish at Reef Beach. Any

help offered will gladly be received.

Preparations for the next MYC handbook have begun and I'd like to draw your attention to the photo competition for the cover. Any corrections or suggestions for the handbook can be emailed to me – maz@radford-yacht.com - before the 30th April 2010.

Preparations for the Presentation Night in May have also commenced – mark the date - Saturday 28th - in your diary – I don't care if there is a rugby match on! Come for the camaraderie; listen to the guest speaker; cheer on your fellow club members on. Who knows ... if you haven't won a major prize; there is still the Peter Wilkins starters prize; the Graeme Cotton Good Citizen Award or a draw from the barrel of the major prizes in the series. A slide show of the sailing season also features on this night.

As the membership renewal notices go out this month, it is time to remind boat owners who race with our club that Manly Yacht Club encourages all crew members racing with us to belong to a YA affiliated club ... in the interests of the boat owner; the crew and Manly Yacht Club.

Finally, I'd like to thank those members who make it possible for the rest of us to race each week; and I'd encourage members who don't find themselves on boats from time to time to give it a go on the start boat or the mark laying boat, or up on the deck on a Friday Night Twilight. We always match you up with someone more experienced and it is great fun. I'd like to thank Penny for the massive effort she has put in, co-ordinating the Sunday Race Committee. Likewise, Twilight Race Director Anne has had a double role, also co-ordinating the race committee for the Friday twilights, another massive effort well done. Thank you both.

Maz Theaker – Commodore

PRESENTATION NIGHT Saturday 28th May

ALL members WELCOME Come collect your trophy, meet up with old and new members and enjoy a relaxed social evening at MYC. Arrive at 6.30pm for a 7pm start \$10 gets you in the door, light supper and a complimentary drink - Children FREE MAJOR PRIZE DRAW FOR THE TWILIGHTS AND THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS. THE night for ALL MYC sailors: Access dinghies, Centreboards, Point score Yachts, Twilights, Summer and Winter Series.

Start writing your acceptance speeches now ... just in case!

WINTER SERIES



The Space

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“Manly’s Best Kept Secret”

The Space, Cocktail Bar, Beauty Day Spa/Salon and new and exciting Retail Store – Weddings, Birthdays, Functions, Events – the perfect package wrapped into One!

- Full range of specialized Beauty Treatments for Skin, Body + Nails. Also including Micro Dermabrasion, Laser Treatments, Cosmetic Surgery and Botox/Fillers. Express Spa Treatments available including a store full of gorgeous Clothing, Jewellery and Accessories.
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The Space, a Parisian inspired atmosphere is a lifestyle destination in the heart of Manly between the magnificent harbour and popular surf beach. Opposite Manly Library in Market Place where parking is plentiful!

“Everyone needs a little Space at sometime”



1300 713 413

7 Market Street, Manly

Manly Yacht Club Welcome’s our new Winter Series Sponsor:

The Space

Make sure you get your entry in for the winter series and be in the running for fantastic prizes from our new sponsor THE SPACE Manly.

Apart from fabulous weekly prizes the MAJOR prize is sure to be a draw card for any boat owner:

A cocktail party at The Space, Manly!!!

A prize that all owners and crew can share together and remember the rules for winning this amazing prize – everyone who races is in the drawn.... The higher you place the more tickets you get in the barrel, and most importantly you need to be there on deck to claim your prize!!

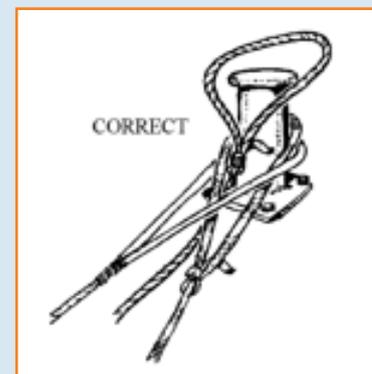
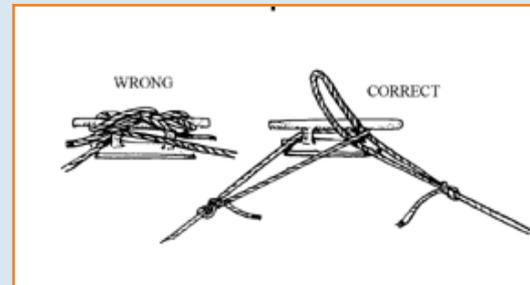
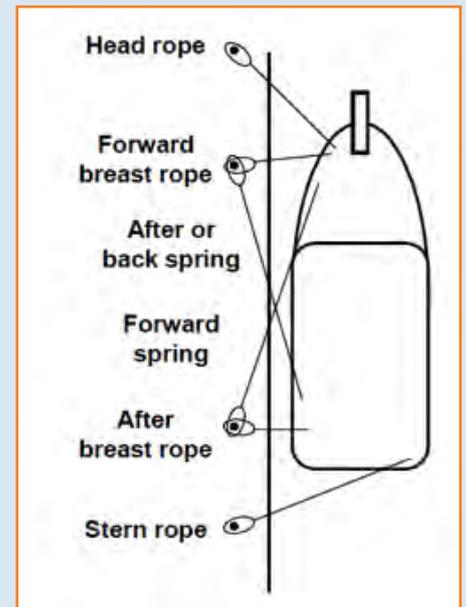
So get your entries in now.... Racing starts on 5th June. All boats entered by 23rd May get an extra entry in the draw.

Donna Bruce
Race Director



TRAINING

Mooring, Anchoring, ropes and knots 7pm start, 10th May. Free to Members. RSVP essential.



A First Aid Training session will be held on 26 June. \$90 per Person with workbooks distributed prior to the 1-day practical session (day after our AGM/Dinner) Booking essential – email training@myc.org.au or SMS 0419 600108

Cary Budd
Training Coordinator

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP 9

Marks deducted for Question 9

The ninth race of the Club Championship series had a bit of everything that Sydney Harbour can offer: wind, no wind, rain, sun, moving YA marks, missing YA marks, confusion, a protest and greasy sausages.

All in all it was a real lottery. The race officials had expected the breeze to swing from the morning southerly to the south-east in the afternoon and selected course three. While the breeze failed to shift, the south-east course still offered a reasonable game of cards. The trump in the deck was Middle Head, which produced two sizeable parking lots that saw huge lead changes in both the run from Lady Bay and the beat back out of Balmoral to the Eastern Channel YA. (As an aside, isn't the Aboriginal name for Middle Head - "Kabatjabah" - more interesting than boring old Middle Head? If you want a good read about the history of the whole Middle Harbour area try Gavin Souter's Times and Tides - A Middle Harbour Memoir). Back to the race. Some unlucky boats parked in both directions (Copernicus?), others like Ratty Tooley, Eos and Melody stopped in only one, while Pam and Wild Life used their get-out-of-jail cards and seemed to avoid both. Rumour has it they have sold their souls for the promise of the CC title. What must not pass without

comment was the great sportsmanship shown by the fleet, with all boats sailing to the approximate position of the missing Edwards Beach YA mark before rounding. Well done all. It was later asked, why didn't the race officials know it was missing? Hmmmmm. We investigated the option of giving the race director ESP training but decided it would only overload his already robust ego. Anyway, once everyone rounded the imaginary spar and crawled out of the black hole that was Hunters Bay (the real name of Balmoral bay, named after the First Fleet's Captain John Hunter), the breeze kicked in and the next challenge was finding the Eastern Channel YA mark in the gloom. Here's where more confusion with marks stepped in, with a protest resulting. Suffice to say the protestor later decided to withdraw their complaint and everyone lived happily ever after. As usual, the intergalactic Etchells streeted the field to take the div 1 gun, with Melody and her new mainsail (yes, the handicapper knows) taking div 2 honours. As for the all-important handicap results, Kaotic

mastered the tricky conditions to win from Pam and Ten Sixty. Age did not weary the mighty Eos, which has sailed these waters for well over 50 years and is freakishly fast in light airs, and she scored a well-deserved handicap win from Runaway Taxi (a runaway leader in the points score) and Melody. While the div 2 title is done and dusted, the super league premiership is still wide open with five boats having a mathematical chance to win. If everyone turns up for the last race, it could be a cliffhanger.

Jim Nixon

RACE 9 [27/03/2011] MYC 2010-2011 Club Championships							
Division 1 Keel TOT HC results Start : 13:15:00							
Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Elapsd	AHC	HC Cor'd T	BCH	CHC
1	AUS4770	Kaotic	2:40:50	0.870	2:19:56	0.887	0.874
2	KA16	Pam	2:33:44	0.919	2:21:17	0.928	0.922
3	MYC7	Ten Sixty	2:34:47	0.922	2:22:43	0.922	0.922
4	557	Occam's Razor	2:47:32	0.873	2:26:15	0.852	0.871
5	MYC100	Shear Magic	2:42:07	0.911	2:27:41	0.880	0.897
6	AUS1161	Wild Life	2:21:29	1.092	2:34:30	1.009	1.075
7	4863	Two Can	2:48:07	0.925	2:35:30	0.849	0.902
8	6689	Copernicus	2:50:40	1.049	2:59:02	0.836	1.049
DNC	6421	Pohono		0.864			
DNC	MYC32	Esprit		0.952			
Division 2 Keel TOT HC results Start : 13:05:00							
Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Elapsd	AHC	HC Cor'd T	BCH	CHC
1	MYC5	Eos	2:29:50	0.769	1:55:13	0.788	0.776
2	5393	Runaway Taxi	2:38:31	0.735	1:56:31	0.745	0.735
3	1255	Melody	2:27:49	0.799	1:58:06	0.799	0.804
4	MYC6	Aida	2:39:04	0.754	1:59:56	0.742	0.752
5	73	Top Odds	2:39:21	0.753	1:59:59	0.741	0.755
6	6295	Ratty Tooley	2:30:11	0.809	2:01:30	0.786	0.811
7	MYC34	Sip Ahoy	2:49:01	0.776	2:11:09	0.699	0.761
DNC	1152	Bokarra		0.679			
DNC	5830	Cheap Thrills		0.875			

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Show us your other talents by entering the "SNAP THE FRONT COVER OF OUR HANDBOOK COMPETITION"

It's open to all MYC members to rummage through their pics for the year. **SUBJECT - SAILING WITH MYC.**



Judges will be Maz Theaker and Jim Nixon. Prize is **FAME** on being published on the cover of the handbook. Deadline - before the 30th May please Please keep it to one image at a time. Email: maz at maz@radford-yacht.com We may need to crop and visually adjust the chosen image. **GOOD LUCK!**



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10K, 5K & 2K RUN & WALK
2x \$1000 Team Prizes

Sunday 22nd May

Start Time- **8AM**

\$30pp. & concessions
(Includes free T Shirt)

Register now at
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Conducted by
The Rotary Club of Manly Sunrise Inc.



SUMMER BALL *Let the games begin...*

MYC's Summer Ball, held on Friday March 25, was lots of fun, with 75 MYC members and friends attending. The outfits were amazing, with the domino and Cluedo fans out in full force, including several Miss Scarlets, a Reverend Green and Mrs Peacock, as well as a few Queens of Hearts and a chicken who spent the evening crossing the road. Also a super-sized Super Mario and the best snakes and ladders outfits we've ever seen.

Muir Watson won best dressed male for his T-shirt full of games, Lynda Shelley won best dressed female for her Monopoly Get out of Jail Free outfit and Alison Crothers won the word game. Muir, Lynda and Alison all won La Premiere Gold Class cinema tickets.

Thanks to our sponsors for their generosity in providing fabulous raffle prizes:

- Shore Club Moet & Chandon Lounge – won by Sam Ashby**
- Manly Pavilion meal – won by Greg Wilkins**
- Manly Sailing 2 hours expert tuition – won by Jamie King**
- Garfish meal – won by Margaret Malins**

- Ouzeria meal - won by Helen Buckland**
- Manly Wine meal – won by Hector Lambie**
- Four Pines brewery tour – won by Tomas Klimar**
- Pizza Capanna – won by Mark Bonney**
- ICMS Great Dining Room meal – won by Ross Matheson**
- Whitewater meal voucher – won by Murray Bailes**
- Other prizes provided by ICMS Great Dining Room and Hoyts cinema tickets will be given away to MYC race winners.**

Thanks to our organising committee of Sarah Nicols, Helen Buckland, Mark Bonney and Murray Bailes. Also to David McEwen for being our DJ for the evening, Carole Orbell for great artwork and lots of other help, Ken Terrens for photos to display, and to Barb Jones and Nicole Reade for helping out on the door. Also thanks to Anne Stockdale, Adrian Solti, Steve Teudt, David Lewis, Ian Dennewald, Maz Theaker, Sorrell Lambie and Sue and Judy in the MYC office for their assistance and support.



MYC WOMEN'S CHALLENGE

Picture by Margo Lucas

Helly Hansen MYC Helly Hansen Women's Challenge											
Division 1 Keel TOT HC results Start : 13:10:00											
Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Elapsd	AHC	HC Cor'd T	CHC	Skipper	Class	Score	Fin Tim	ETOrd
1	5625	Lunch Cutter	1:49:30	1.000	1:49:30	1.000	J Danks	MountGay30	1.0	14:59:30	1
DNF	73	Top Odds		0.805			K Petersen	Northshore27_1	5.0		
DNF	1255	Melody		0.906			V Silk	SwansonDart	5.0		
RAF	920	Lady Bug		0.950			E Mander	Lidgard9	5.0		
Division 2 Keel TOT HC results Start : 13:20:00											
Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Elapsd	AHC	HC Cor'd T	CHC	Skipper	Class	Score	Fin Tim	ETOrd
1	AUS1161	Wildlife	1:56:04	0.985	1:54:20	0.985	D Winn	Ethells	1.0	15:16:04	1
2	MYC7	Ten Sixty	1:58:30	0.979	1:56:01	0.973	J Syme	Radford10.6	2.0	15:18:30	2
3	557	Occam's Razor	2:11:35	0.918	2:00:48	0.898	L Dunphy	DuncansonOffshore30	3.0	15:31:35	3
DNC	8035	One More No More		0.995			K Hughes	BeneteauFirst35	10.0		
DNC	MH11	Viva La Vita		0.945			S John	Northshore370	10.0		
DNF	1152	Bokarra		0.806			M Lucas	Santana22	8.0		
DNF	6295	Ratty Tooeey		0.879			B Jones	Northshore34	8.0		
DNF	AUS4770	Kaotic		0.915			P Shire-clarke	J24	8.0		
DNF	MYC12	San Toy		1.000			M Theaker	Radford12	8.0		
Division 3 Keel TOT HC results Start : 13:30:00											
Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Elapsd	AHC	HC Cor'd T	CHC	Skipper	Class	Score	Fin Tim	ETOrd
1	7422	Alcamy	1:49:15	0.800	1:27:24	0.800	R Lawrence	S80-3	1.0	15:19:15	1
DNF	MYC27	Esra Tew		0.723			J Morgan	Northshore27-3	3.0		
Division 4 Keel TOT HC results Start : 13:30:00											
Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Elapsd	AHC	HC Cor'd T	CHC	Skipper	Class	Score	Fin Tim	ETOrd
1	A22	Torquill	1:35:18	0.985	1:33:52	0.985	C Kinsella	Adams10	1.0	15:05:18	1
2	MYC33	Lautrec	1:57:55	0.810	1:35:31	0.804	L Ebeling	Passage33	2.0	15:27:55	2
3	6361	Czech Mate	2:07:16	0.885	1:52:38	0.825	M Koppenol	Beneteau361	3.0	15:37:16	3
DNC	8005	Merlin		1.000			D Smyth	Super30	9.0		
DNF	MH56	Jai Dee		0.900			L Koschier	Bavaria41	8.0		
DNF	MYC32	Espriet		0.985			J Bartel	Archambault32gs	8.0		
DNS	MYC100	Shear Magic		0.935			J Madden	Adams10	8.0		
RAF	6421	Pohono		0.900			M McCormick	Bavaria41	8.0		
Division 6 Keel TOT HC results Start : 13:40:00											
Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Elapsd	AHC	HC Cor'd T	CHC	Skipper	Class	Score	Fin Tim	ETOrd
1	AUS60	Miss Pibb	1:48:05	0.990	1:47:00	0.990	H Impey	Yngling	1.0	15:28:05	1
DNC	AU34	Yertles		0.920			G Slattery	Yngling	5.0		
DNF	AUS27	Troika		0.990			L Tillett	Yngling	4.0		
DNF	AUS56	Black Adder		0.965			J Newlands	Yngling	4.0		
Division 9 Keel TOT HC results Start : 10:35:00											
Place	Sail No	Boat Name	Elapsd	AHC	HC Cor'd T	CHC	Skipper	Class	Score	Fin Tim	ETOrd
1	1662	Alex	27:04:00	1.000	27:04:00	1.012	J Cole	AccessDinghy303	1.0	11:02:04	1
2	753	Dolly Wallace	27:52:00	1.000	27:52:00	1.000	J Morgan	AccessDinghy303	2.0	11:02:52	2
3	855	Woody	29:31:00	1.000	29:31:00	0.977	D Smyth	AccessDinghy303	3.0	11:04:31	3
4	1598	Th-ing	30:58:00	1.000	30:58:00	0.959	P Davis	AccessDinghy303	4.0	11:05:58	4
DNC	255	Sunrise		1.000			A Saxby	AccessDinghy303	8.0		
DNC	758	Jack Harkness		1.000			T Fisher	AccessDinghy303	8.0		
DNC	812	Lionheart		1.000			S Booknam	AccessDinghy303	8.0		



MYC WOMEN'S CHALLENGE

Well it is called the Helly Hansen Women's "Challenge" - so when we awoke to howling winds and pouring rain on Sunday morning, we were grinning from ear to ear (or was that grimacing?).

The Sailability Access Dinghies were first off the mark at 10am and they were certainly a brave lot! Those wee boats endured the worst of the deluge with driving rain and radical wind gusts, challenging the ability of the sailors and the seaworthiness of the boats! They passed the test with flying colours and congratulations to Judy Cole on Alex, winner of the division and winner of the One Design trophy for the series.

The yachts were next up and by now the wind was gusting close to 30 knots and the swell was big enough to stop the Manly Ferry for an hour or so! Still 85% of the yachts entered turned up to the start line, a challenge in itself, especially for the Ynglings who had been towed all the way across the harbour, Ladybug who had sailed from Hunters Hill and our visitors from MMYC. To reef or not to reef was not an option for most boats - one or two reefs was the decision to be made! The course for the day was the dreaded number 2, thanks to the predominantly easterly wind with 3 laps required from Edwards Beach to Old Man's Hat. So with two reefs and our storm jib, Top Odds crossed the start line in Division 1, the all female spinnaker division, along with Lunchcutter, Ladybug and Melody. All seemed rather calm once we were underway. The rain had stopped and some blue sky even poked out teasingly from amongst the cumulonimbus. The race to the first mark, Manly MYC, was a solid leg followed by a beautiful reach down the harbour towards Middle Head. However once we got close to the cardinal markers, we could see the

swell was looking very playful and we were in for a rollicking ride! A few brave souls flew their spinnakers down to Edwards which was great to see.

After rounding Edwards, the next challenge was to battle upwind through the swell to reach Old Man's Hat - somewhere out there in the heads. This was some of the most challenging inshore sailing that myself and certainly the boat had seen. We took a hammering heading out through the swells and the wind was coming through in unpredictable squalls. My crew tell me their squeals were those of excitement rather than fear. Surfing around Old Man's Hat was a great achievement as I really wasn't sure that we would get there - one lap down two more to go..... It was then that we noticed some of the fleet heading back to Manly, I was tempted to follow but my crew were having too much fun and convinced me to keep going. I had thought heading out through the swells was hairy - now we were surfing them back in! On our next leg back out to Old Man's Hat, the swells had become bigger and the wind appeared stronger. When one of the bigger swells broke over us and sent whitewater across the deck, I started to think (out loud) again about heading back. About two thirds along that leg a second swell broke over us and I took that as a sign that Top Odds had had enough of a battering for the day and it was time to head back for champagne - much to the crews disappointment as they were having a ball!

At the end of the day it was great to see that half the fleet who started did in fact finish the race. Well done to everyone



for making a go of it out there in the wild weather, it certainly was a challenge! Congratulations to the Division winners; Div 1 - Lunch Cutter, Div 2 - Wildlife, Div 3 - Alcamy, Div 4 - Torquil, Div 6 - Miss Pibb, Div 9 - Alex.

A big thanks to Helly Hansen for sponsoring the event with such generous and gorgeous prizes and offers - the 25% in-store discount is still valid through until April 30. Also to minor sponsors Jendi and Sensora for their prizes. Thank you to all the members who helped out in the preparation and on the day especially to Maz, Ivana, the Race Committee (not pleasant out there on Carlyle or Robbie R), the photo boat crew, Adrian, Al, Margo, Christobel, Helen, Anne and Caroline. Finally a huge thank you to **Crosbie Lorimer** who gave his time on very short notice to capture the essence of the day in some amazing photography. His great images are available to download for a \$5 donation to Sailability, please see the website for more pictures and instructions.

Cheers
Karen Petersen
Race Director MYC Helly Hansen
Women's Challenge 2011



Pictures by Crosbie Lorimer

Picture by Margo Lucas and Crosbie Lorimer (below) - see more on the website



The working boys...



Div 1 winners - Lunchcutter - above and right



L Dunphy of Occum's Razor



Ratty crew as The Village People perform YMCA - clearly the best Dressed



Div 2 winners - Wildlife

BLUE'S BIG TRIP ... I'm sure Blue won't mind telling you about his big new adventure.

You may or may not know the tall gangly fellow that presents himself at lots of working bees, and you may have often seen a highly sun screen faced bloke dragging out the Finn from the boat storage area, to go for a quiet sail, and wonder who that was. If you've read the MYC newsletter, anytime in the last 15 years you may recall the great articles that Blue writes, about boats we will never see racing in our club

series.

Well, it seems that Blue and his family have decided to up stakes and take on the rural life in the Southern Highlands. Not, you might imagine, the farming life, but a furniture making factory attached to the property they have purchased. The property, Wild Wood Galleries, is in the small hamlet of Fitzroy Falls. So look out for high quality furniture from that neck of the woods, once Blue passes the course in Furniture Making 101.

His Finn has also moved with

him and he will now be racing against a fleet of catamarans and Lasers on Fitzroy Fall Reservoir. As he says... challenging...

We, here at Manly Yacht Club, wish Blue and his family all the best in their future endeavours. And Blue, I know you will still be reading the MYC Newsletter, so, if you ever need a ride on an oversized Finn, don't forget to come and visit.

Maz



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ZILZIE TWILIGHTS



Race director Anne receives her well deserved flowers

Results Sl		04-Mar-11 Twilight		18				
Place	Sail No	Yacht Name	Start time	Actual Start Time	Actual Finish Time	Adjusted Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Closest to Start
1	MYC33	Lautrec	18:03	18:04:44	19:17:07	19:19:56	1:12:23	0:01:44
2	169	Palga	18:09	18:09:32	19:18:17	19:18:17	1:08:45	0:00:32
3	1620	Kryptonite	18:13	18:13:14	19:18:39	19:18:39	1:05:25	0:00:14
4	MYC50	Watershed	18:16	18:16:22	19:19:15	19:19:15	1:02:53	0:00:22
5	4863	TwoCan	18:20	18:20:15	19:19:29	19:19:29	1:03:07	0:00:15
6	1152	Bokarra	18:06	18:06:37	19:19:40	19:19:40	1:13:03	0:00:37
7	MYC1	Aussie Rules	18:11	18:11:21	19:19:56	19:19:56	1:08:35	0:00:27
8	MYC79	Pompadour	18:10	18:10:27	19:19:57	19:19:57	1:09:30	0:00:27
9	MYC25	Topaz	18:11	18:11:32	19:19:58	19:19:58	1:08:26	0:00:32
10	6295	Ratty Tooye	18:19	18:19:20	19:20:21	19:20:21	1:01:01	0:00:20
11	MYC37	Moonraker	18:19	18:19:12	19:21:21	19:21:21	1:02:09	0:00:12
12	MYC820	Good Intent	18:10	18:10:11	19:22:25	19:22:25	1:12:14	0:00:11
13	MYC157	Lady Canasta	18:17	18:17:14	19:23:22	19:23:22	01:06:08	0:00:14
14	MYC5	Eos	18:15	18:15:30	19:23:55	19:23:55	1:08:25	0:00:30
15	MYC100	Shear Magic	18:27	18:27:03	19:24:06	19:24:06	0:57:03	0:00:03
16	6776	Dance with Waves	18:31	18:31:12	19:24:24	19:24:24	0:53:12	0:00:12
17	MYC6	Aida	18:11	18:11:37	19:24:39	19:24:39	1:13:02	0:00:37
18	MYC10	Pensive	18:30	18:30:14	19:24:56	19:24:56	0:54:42	0:00:14
19	MYC32	Esprit	18:27	18:27:03	19:25:14	19:25:14	00:58:09	0:00:09
20	1124	Puffin	18:03	18:03:15	19:25:30	19:25:30	1:22:15	0:00:15
21	MYC34	Sip Ahoy	18:15	18:16:58	19:26:01	19:26:01	01:09:03	0:01:58
22	6510	Poets Day	18:31	18:31:31	19:26:09	19:26:09	0:54:38	0:00:31
23	MYC7	Ten Sixty	18:28	18:28:35	19:26:52	19:26:52	0:58:17	0:00:35
24	5393	Runaway Taxi	18:18	18:18:16	19:27:23	19:27:23	1:09:07	0:00:16
25	MYC24	J Curve	18:21	18:21:24	19:28:43	19:28:43	01:07:19	0:00:24
26	AUS147	Okavango Delta	18:25	18:25:13	19:28:56	19:28:56	01:03:43	0:00:13
27	KA55	Atalanta	18:09	18:09:15	19:29:19	19:29:19	1:20:04	0:00:15
28	AUS102	Flying Carpet	18:19	18:20:18	DNF	DNF	#VALUE!	0:01:18

Results She		11-Mar-11 Twilight 19		19				
Place	Sail No	Yacht Name	Start time	Actual Start Time	Actual Finish Time	Adjusted Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Closest to Start
1	1152	Bokarra	18:06	18:06:12	DNF	DNF	0:00:12	0:00:12
2	MYC79	Pompadour	18:10	18:10:09	DNF	DNF	0:00:09	0:00:09
3	MYC50	Watershed	18:18	18:19:14	DNF	DNF	0:01:14	0:01:14
4	557	Occams Razor	18:20	18:20:14	DNF	DNF	0:00:14	0:00:14
5	AUS147	Okavango Delta	18:23	18:23:19	DNF	DNF	0:00:19	0:00:19
6	MYC100	Shear Magic	18:26	18:26:21	DNF	DNF	0:00:21	0:00:21
7	6776	Dance with Waves	18:30	18:30:00	DNF	DNF	0:00:00	0:00:00
8	6510	Poets Day	18:29	18:28:48	DNF	DNF	0:00:25	0:00:25
9	MYC28	Kestrel II	18:00	18:00:25	DNF	DNF	0:00:25	0:00:25
10	MYC27	Esra Tew	18:06	18:05:50	DNF	DNF	0:00:20	0:00:20
11	KA55	Atalanta	18:07	18:07:14	DNF	DNF	0:00:14	0:00:14
12	MYC6	Aida	18:10	18:10:20	DNF	DNF	0:00:20	0:00:20
13	MYC1	Aussie Rules	18:11	18:11:07	DNF	DNF	0:00:07	0:00:07
14	MYC25	Topaz	18:11	18:11:31	DNF	DNF	0:00:31	0:00:31
15	MYC33	Lautrec	18:11	18:12:27	DNF	DNF	0:01:27	0:01:27
16	A73	Top Odds	18:13	18:12:58	DNF	DNF	0:00:14	0:00:14
17	6361	Czech Mate	18:13	18:13:14	DNF	DNF	0:00:14	0:00:14
18	MYC34	Sip Ahoy	18:13	18:13:47	DNF	DNF	0:00:47	0:00:47
19	MYC5	Eos	18:14	18:15:28	DNF	DNF	0:01:28	0:01:28
20	169	Palga	18:15	18:15:30	DNF	DNF	0:00:30	0:00:30
21	MYC157	Lady Canasta	18:16	18:15:31	DNF	DNF	0:00:28	0:00:28
22	5393	Runaway Taxi	18:16	18:16:28	DNF	DNF	0:00:28	0:00:28
23	1620	Kryptonite	18:17	18:17:54	DNF	DNF	0:00:54	0:00:54
24	NH14	Hagar IV	18:18	18:18:08	DNF	DNF	0:00:08	0:00:08
25	MYC37	Moonraker	18:19	18:18:58	DNF	DNF	0:00:10	0:00:10
26	6295	Ratty Tooye	18:19	18:19:10	DNF	DNF	0:00:10	0:00:10
27	MYC24	J Curve	18:19	18:20:22	DNF	DNF	0:01:22	0:01:22
28	4863	TwoCan	18:20	18:20:36	DNF	DNF	0:00:36	0:00:36

Results Sl		18-Mar-11 Twilight		20				
Place	Sail No	Yacht Name	Start time	Actual Start Time	Actual Finish Time	Adjusted Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Closest to Start
1	MYC6	Aida	18:10	18:10:31	19:00:04	19:00:04	0:49:33	0:49:33
2	6361	Czech Mate	18:13	18:13:37	19:00:13	19:00:13	0:46:36	0:46:36
3	MYC157	Lady Canasta	18:16	18:16:24	19:00:33	19:00:33	00:44:09	00:44:09
4	MYC37	Moonraker	18:19	18:19:20	19:01:26	19:01:26	0:42:06	0:42:06
5	MYC1	Aussie Rules	18:11	18:11:24	19:01:54	19:01:54	0:50:30	0:50:30
6	MYC820	Good Intent	18:10	18:10:44	19:02:10	19:02:10	0:51:26	0:51:26
7	KA55	Atalanta	18:07	18:07:18	19:02:39	19:02:39	0:55:21	0:55:21
8	MYC27	Esra Tew	18:06	18:06:27	19:03:19	19:03:19	0:56:52	0:56:52
9	4863	TwoCan	18:20	18:20:04	19:03:49	19:03:49	0:43:45	0:43:45
10	MYC5	Eos	18:14	18:15:35	19:04:10	19:04:10	0:48:35	0:48:35
11	557	Occams Razor	18:20	18:20:12	19:04:23	19:04:23	0:44:11	0:44:11
12	1620	Kryptonite	18:17	18:18:21	19:04:40	19:04:40	00:46:19	00:46:19
13	MYC79	Pompadour	18:10	18:10:41	19:05:10	19:05:10	0:54:29	0:54:29
14	MYC50	Watershed	18:18	18:19:02	19:05:47	19:05:47	0:46:45	0:46:45
15	6295	Ratty Tooye	18:19	18:19:19	19:05:48	19:05:48	0:46:29	0:46:29
16	MYC7	Ten Sixty	18:26	18:26:09	19:06:39	19:06:39	00:40:30	00:40:30
17	MYC28	Kestrel II	18:00	18:00:25	19:07:09	19:07:09	0:41:00	0:41:00
18	MH75	Dreamer (casual)	18:17	18:18:22	19:07:43	19:07:43	00:49:21	00:49:21
19	MYC100	Shear Magic	18:26	18:26:11	19:07:44	19:07:44	0:41:33	0:41:33
20	MYC24	J Curve	18:19	18:19:18	19:07:57	19:07:57	0:48:39	0:48:39
21	MYC32	Esprit	18:26	18:26:25	19:08:35	19:08:35	0:42:10	0:42:10
22	6776	Dance with Waves	18:30	18:30:09	19:08:39	19:08:39	0:38:30	0:38:30
23	169	Palga	18:15	18:15:17	19:08:55	19:08:55	0:53:38	0:53:38
24	5393	Runaway Taxi	18:16	18:16:38	19:08:56	19:08:56	0:52:18	0:52:18
25	A73	Top Odds	18:13	18:12:54	19:04:57	19:10:03	0:52:03	0:52:03
26	AUS135	Boudicca	18:18	18:18:20	19:10:47	19:10:47	0:52:27	0:52:27
27	MYC25	Topaz	18:11	18:11:51	19:05:57	19:10:57	0:54:06	0:54:06
28	AUS147	Okavango Delta	18:23	18:23:24	19:09:15	19:19:15	0:45:51	0:45:51



The hard working team receive their presents and applause



Thanks to the chefs

TWILIGHT SERIES RESULTS

Yacht Name	Race 1	Race 2	Race 3	Race 4	Race 5	Race 6	Race 7	Race 8	Race 9	Race 10	Race 11	Race 12	Race 13	Race 14	Race 15	Race 16	Race 17	Race 18	Race 19	Race 20	Drop 1	Drop 2	Total
Moonraker	9	2	6	6	42	48	15	9	2	15	6	19	26	6	17	17	9	11	4	4	-60	-56	153
Topaz	20	13	18	2	17	5	14	16	24	4	25	9	11	5	6	4	11	9	4	27	-44	-58	169
Ten Sixty	24	15	12	9	5	6	13	4	5	11	3	17	15	3	18	24	23	4	16	16	-55	-55	177
Eos	13	6	20	3	11	42	17	18	42	42	4	22	4	4	19	16	15	14	4	10	-84	-73	196
Flying Carpet	8	12	11	16	9	9	16	4	17	11	3	18	21	1	18	12	17	29	42	42	-33	-84	199
Lady Canasta	3	24	5	26	18	42	7	12	42	21	42	1	12	9	15	19	14	13	4	3	-84	-73	202
Okavango Delta	19	5	2	24	21	13	10	24	7	9	13	25	42	3	9	3	20	26	4	28	-48	-73	213
Shear Magic	17	14	10	13	16	15	22	19	42	42	19	6	3	12	11	10	16	15	4	19	-64	-73	220
Ratty Tooye	14	23	42	8	42	25	12	2	23	17	7	2	22	18	23	20	4	10	4	15	-84	-54	223
Watershed	26	25	42	17	24	7	18	20	6	20	42	7	5	21	5	42	2	4	31	11	-68	-84	223
J Curve	27	11	16	21	27	22	9	10	11	6	20	8	2	22	2	23	25	4	20	20	-54	-56	224
Bokarra	4	21	42	1	27	21	27	15	42	26	21	15	6	8	12	6	10	6	4	42	-73	-73	226
Occams Razor	16	7	4	10	13	27	42	11	10	3	16	42	22	14	13	5	42	42	31	11	-69	-84	228
Aussie Rules	22	42	42	42	6	19	5	42	19	42	2	20	15	16	7	15	6	7	4	5	-84	-73	248
Top Odds	11	17	8	12	42	20	2	22	12	1	22	27	10	11	28	13	42	42	31	25	-64	-84	250
Poets Day	42	20	42	20	42	26	13	7	5	8	5	11	13	32	1	11	19	22	31	42	-84	-74	254
TwoCan	20	19	13	20	7	24	11	8	3	42	42	42	42	13	16	14	7	5	31	9	-57	-84	264
Hagar IV	42	16	15	18	20	7	8	3	23	25	42	42	14	18	2	21	7	13	42	31	-67		

Helly Hansen Women's Challenge

Some hardy skippers braved the weather to do battle with the elements and each other, on a day when Access 303s would normally stay dry in their racks!

Eli, watching from the Esplanade, says the four dinghies we rigged and launched made a dramatic picture, as we headed out to the start between Forty Baskets and Fairlight beach, the black clouds making an interesting backdrop for our colourful little sails!

The wind picked up, with 20 knot gusts, and a heavy swell was running through the heads. The beat to the top mark off Kilburn Towers had waves breaking over the bows, and on the return run, we were surfing down swells at an exhilarating rate!

It's a credit to the lady sailors that everyone finished safely with no damage, but most had taken on a bit of water, either salt from the sea, or fresh from the squalls. We figured the good news was that we wouldn't have to hose the boats down!

New sponsor Helly Hansen, generously supplied the winners with vouchers for their shop in Chatswood. Winners were 1st: Jude in "Jade" 2nd: Jackie in "Dolly Wallis" 3rd: Dea and Helene in "Woody" 4th: Tina and Julia in "Th-ING."

A big thank you to Sailability volunteer Crosbie Lorimer who took some amazing photos (available on the myc website for a \$5 donation to Sailability).

The team at MYC, especially Karen and Maz, are to be congratulated for a magnificent job. Sailability Manly is so proud to be an integral part of the club, and we trust the feeling is mutual.



Town Hall Presentation

As winners of the 175th Australia Day Regatta at Manly, Jude and Tony attended a prize-giving ceremony at Sydney Town Hall, where we were formally presented with commemorative plaques instead of the usual medals.

All took place under a crystal chandelier, watched by paintings of former mayors in their finery and a host of other winners.

All levels of the sport of sailing were represented, including the latest ocean racing yachts like Brindabella, lovingly restored timber yawls, classic and modern skiffs, centre-boarders, sailboards, and our own Access class dinghies, to name a few.

Recipients of trophies were mature gentlemen from the Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron, a brother and sister both under ten years old from Gosford, a father and daughter from Greenwich, a mature sailboarder from Dobroyd, young men and women from the Pittwater, and disabled sailors from the Illawarra, and us!

It was certainly refreshing to see so many competitors from all walks of life, and of all ages and ability taking part in the sport of sailing.



Mayors presentation : Jude (skipper) John Jeremy (Director of SASC), Tony Jones (crew)
Women's Challenge: Winners receiving their prizes: r to l Jude, Jackie, Dea

Access 303 State Championships

As the summer season draws to a close, this month Sailability Manly is taking three Access 303s to Belmont 16ft Skiff Club, to take part in the highly competitive NSW State Championships.

Rob Sawyer and Jude (Jade) Andy Jager and Helen (Th-ING) Barry and Ivan (Woody) will attempt to do the club proud, and as these events are a Sailability "family" get together, no doubt some fun will be had whether we bring home medals or not!

Jude

Crew requests...

Request: Crew looking for boat
Name: James Baird
Email: james-baird@bigpond.com
Phone: 0417451387

Experience: Reasonable Experience. Committed crew member of Edward Pieck (MYC) "Lady Canasta". Recently completed the Twilight series until next year. Looking for a Sunday crewing position till then. Previous experious experience CYC Benateau 41 & Centurion, twilight and Winter. Qualified Master 5 MED 2 MROCP, Survival/Senior 1st Aid and many short courses

Request: Crew looking for boat
Name: Regula Augustin
Email: regula.augustin@gmx.net
Phone: 0424528259

Experience: Competent Crew Course in Pittwater and some twilight sailing experiences in Middle Harbour. I love sailing and am keen and motivated to learn more about it. I would also be interested in deliveries from/to anywhere.

Request: Crew looking for boat
Name: Rupert Shanks
Email: rupertshanks@gmail.com
Phone: 0487174123

Experience: Im a 29 yr old Scottish RYA/ MCA Yachtmaster with a lot of sailing/racing experience looking for some time on the water! Open to any opportunities.

SUMMER SERIES

The Summer Series 7 race was well attended with twelve boats enjoying a building strong breeze and sunny day. The handicaps have worked out well as the first 3 in Div1 finished within 2 minutes and all 6 were home within 10 minutes over a 2.5 hour race. This meant that there was some good on-the-water racing and boats were within contact of others all day.

But the big news, at least for the stand-in race director, is that after 6 months of L plates, we finally got a result in Esprit. After a near perfect day (and a correct call to downsize to the fractional on the third set) we were sure we were going to get the gun and the self congratulations

started 100m shy of the line.... what could go wrong from there? Helen gave it her best go by slipping between the life lines and nearly going overboard. But she managed to hold onto the sheet and even grind it on a bit as she climbed back aboard. Which was lucky, as I'm not sure the finishing-with-all-the-crew regulation includes dragging them over the line with the life-sling?

Our second comeuppance from our premature celebrations came with the sight of Aida lurking behind the line with sails already put away. But when we saw Bill back at the club, he didn't have the demeanour of a winner, and it turned out that he had sailed the div 2 course. At least Aida was not alone,

as in the last race, Bella would have had a good result if it were not for a missed mark. Thanks guys for the honesty in the self-DNFs!

The Starters' Prize was also well contested, with over half the fleet being within 15s of their start times. I was briefly amazed when I saw a tie at :03 between Kestrel II and Esra Tew's, but then normality returned when I realised that ET was actually 1:03 late. The Starters' Prize was actually to David from Atalanta, who also got a jackpot prize in Div 1, so a two bottle reward for his appreciated efforts behind the bar.

MYC Summer Series - Race 7 - Result Sheet - 13-03-2011

Div	Sail/Boat	Start	Actual Start	Late	Finish Time	Elapsed	Place	Points
1	MYC32 Esprit	13:30:00	13:30:06	00:06	15:43:56	02:13:56	1	1
1	1255 Melody	13:00:00	13:00:11	00:11	15:45:29	02:45:29	2	2
1	MYC7 Ten Sixty	13:31:00	13:31:40	00:40	15:45:54	02:14:54	3	3
1	KA55 Atalanta	13:00:00	13:00:05	00:05	15:47:17	02:47:17	4	4
1	MYC100 Shear Magic	13:23:00	13:23:15	00:15	15:49:32	02:26:32	5	5
1	6681 Bella	13:11:00	13:11:18	00:18	15:53:20	02:42:20	6	6
1	MYC6 Aida	12:58:00	12:58:34	00:34	DNF			8
1	1152 Bokarra	12:45:00	DNF					12
1	6689 Copernicus	13:38:00	DNF					12
1	A73 Top Odds	12:53:00	DNF					12
1	MYC820 Good Intent	12:36:00	DNF					12

Div	Sail/Boat	Start	Actual Start	Late	Finish Time	Elapsed	Place	Points
2	MYC79 Pompadi	13:00:00	13:00:30	00:30	15:26:15	02:26:15	1	1
2	6361 Czech Mate	13:26:00	13:26:12	00:12	15:30:07	02:04:07	2	2
2	MYC33 Lautrec	13:12:00	13:12:10	00:10	15:34:48	02:22:48	3	3
2	5231 Esra Tew	13:06:00	13:07:03	01:03	15:45:57	02:39:57	4	4
2	MYC28 Kestrel II	12:50:00	12:50:03	00:03	15:52:57	03:02:57	5	5
2	6421 Pohono	13:22:00	DNF					7

SUMMER SERIES 8 MARATHON RACE



SailNo	Division 1	H'cap	Finish place	Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time	Place
Start:		11:45:00					
6681	Bella	0.815	8	15:16:43	3:31:43	2:52:32	1
KA55	Atalanta	0.775	11	15:34:36	3:49:36	2:57:56	2
MYC100	Shear Magic	0.930	3	14:57:19	3:12:19	2:58:51	3
MYC34	Sip Ahoy	0.811	12	15:25:40	3:40:40	2:58:57	4
MYC6	Aida	0.797	10	15:34:19	3:49:19	3:02:45	5
5830	Cheap Thrills	0.898	6	15:09:41	3:24:41	3:03:48	6
1255	Melody	0.850	9	15:23:21	3:38:21	3:05:35	7
MYC32	Esprit	1.000	2	14:51:25	3:06:25	3:06:25	8
AUS4770	Kaotic	0.910	7	15:12:05	3:27:05	3:08:26	9
MYC7	Ten Sixty	0.965	4	15:01:42	3:16:42	3:09:48	10
AUS1161	Wild Life	1.030	1	14:50:14	3:05:14	3:10:47	11
MYC12	San Toy	1.030	5	15:07:05	3:22:05	3:28:08	12
1152	Bokarra	0.752					DNF
MYC820	Good Intent	0.765					DNF
A73	Top Odds	0.792					DNF
MYC37	Moonraker	0.897					DNF
6689	Copernicus	1.030					DNF

Division 2	H'cap	Finish place	Finish Time	Elapsed Time	Corrected Time	Place	
Start:		11:35:00					
MYC33	Lautrec	0.750	2	14:49:23	3:14:23	2:25:47	1
6361	Czech Mate	0.850	1	14:36:01	3:01:01	2:33:51	2
MYC79	Pompadi	0.737	3	16:16:25	4:41:25	3:27:24	DNF
MYC28	Kestrel II	0.658					DNF
5231	Esra Tew	0.728					DNF
6421	Pohono	0.835					DNF

15 boats turned up for the SS-8 on a beautiful sunny day. Daylight savings had kicked in that morning, but that didn't help one boat that turned up almost an hour late (having not read the sailing instructions to know that SS-8 is the marathon and started earlier than normal). At first it didn't look like there was enough breeze to get us around, so the short course was selected, but this is still an excellent course and took us around Shark, Clark,

Fort Denison and Goat islands. Luckily the breeze built to a fairly stable 5-10 and the tour of the harbour was completed in around 3 hours.

The variation of the wind did serve to keep the fleet bunched together as the new breezes kept bringing the tail enders back to the leaders. Wildlife and Esprit did break away a little bit at one stage and were treated to the excellent view of almost the entire fleet passing under the harbour bridge flying spinnakers. Of course the entire fleet had previously been treated to the

site of Wildlife working up the harbour under spinnaker - not sure how they held that?!!

Wildlife took out line honours, but they failed to pull out a big enough lead to get a result under handicap. Handicap honours went to Bella (a JS8), for her first win after starting to race with the club this year! Well done. At the start, there were 3 boats in with a chance of a series win, but the results gave a decisive winner, but you'll have to come to the Presentation Night in May to find out who they are.

DIARY DATES

	Yachts	Juniors	Centreboards	Sailability
APRIL				
12 TU	Training - Intro to Buoyage			
13 WE				SCSHP, Achieve
16 SA		Training		BIRDS, General
18 MO	Sailing Committee Meeting			
22 FR	Good Friday - Pittwater Race	OS-5		
23 SA	Easter Saturday			
24 SU	Easter Sunday			
25 MO	Easter Monday/Anzac Day			
26 TU	Additional Holiday			
27 WE				RFW, Fisher Rd, Sunnyfields
30 SA				Hornsby Lifestyles, General
MAY				
1 SU	Commodore's Picnic	CP	CP	CP
3 TU	Board Meeting			
10 TU	Training - Mooring, anchoring, ropes and knots			
11 WE				RFW, Dee Why PSC, MAPS Forestville
14 SA				Sailability Commodore's Picnic
28 SA	Presentation night			
30 MO	Sailing Committee Meeting			

Please check dates in the 2010-2011 Handbook
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STOP PRESS 1

Congratulations to Copernicus and crew for their recent win in the CYCA Sydney to Newcastle Race - overall ORCi winner and second overall on IRC. This win places them first in the CYCA's Tasman Series points score and second in the CYCA's Cape Byron Series points score which concluded with the Newcastle Race. Well done!

LUCKY WINNERS!

If you have a perpetual trophy from last season could you please arrange to return it to the MYC office so that it can be engraved for this year's winner.
Jack Morrison
 0408-019463

STOP PRESS 2

Thank you to the crew of Ten Sixty and Esprit for standing by and rendering assistance to Shear Magic crew who found themselves on the rocks near Lady Bay Mark on the final Club Championship Race. Thank you also to our Skiff Club neighbours, who were able to deploy the George Fitz and finally tow Shear Magic off the rocks and

then also tow the Robbie R off the rocks when they found themselves in difficulties attempting to assist Shear Magic. No injuries, some minor damage but all well. Thank you to all involved in the drama including the many MYC boats who radioed the club to inform us of the situation.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Jacob Taranto—Jnr
 Hugo Taranto—Jnr
 James Crawford—Assoc
 Richard Mann—Assoc
 Susan Mann—Hon member
 Roslyn Humphreys—Assoc
 William Fenwicke—Assoc

DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE IS 10TH MAY

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Looking forward to receiving all your news and pictures but please don't leave it until the last minute!

Carole